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- A freezer malfunction at Harvard-affiliated McLean Hospital severely damaged one-third of the world's largest collection of autism brain samples. Research on the disorder could be set back by years as a result. – *Boston Globe* (See item [34](#))
- Parts of the Florida panhandle and coastal Alabama were underwater June 11 after torrential rains caused extensive flooding and damage to many roads and commercial buildings, and a large county jail, local officials said. – *CNN* (See item [49](#))
- Police in Washington, D.C. and the FBI were investigating what they believed was the intentional crash of an SUV doused in gasoline into an office building that houses many retail shops and restaurants. – *Associated Press* (See item [53](#))
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Energy Sector

1. *June 11, Associated Press* – (Ohio) **Ohio governor prepares to sign energy bill with new chemical disclosure, drilling rules.** Ohio's governor prepared to sign a sweeping energy bill setting Ohio's new shale-drilling regulations. He was set to sign the legislation June 11. The measure addresses chemical disclosure, well construction, and water usage reporting in the developing Utica and Marcellus shale formations running under parts of Ohio. It also adjusts Ohio's renewable energy standard and makes other energy policy changes. Some environmental groups that had remained neutral on the bill turned against it at the last minute after lawmakers added a provision limiting who can sue energy firms for chemical trade secrets. The administration fought to ensure owners and adjacent neighbors of well properties could file trade secret challenges. Environmentalists argued the language requires others to show harm.
Source: <http://www.therepublic.com/view/story/a4eb4dad75a44df6940c41c9791ffa46/OH--Gas-Drilling-Ohio-Rules>

2. *June 9, Reuters* – (International) **Plains shuts Alberta oil pipeline after leak.** Plains Midstream Canada said June 8 it shut part of a pipeline in west-central Alberta, Canada, after crude leaked into a large river system just as the company was close to finishing its cleanup of a big year-old spill in the province. Plains Midstream, a unit of Houston-based Plains All American, estimated that 1,000-3,000 barrels of light, sour crude — oil that has a high sulfur content — leaked from a 12-inch line on its Rangeland south system into a tributary of the Red Deer River, a large waterway that runs across south-central Alberta. Stream flows were high due to heavy rainfall and snow melt from the Rocky Mountains, which will make cleanup tricky. The company said it has deployed booms at a reservoir that doubles as a resort area and has brought in drinking water for local residents as a precaution.
Source: <http://in.reuters.com/article/2012/06/08/plains-pipeline-alberta-idINL1E8H82AY20120608>

3. *June 9, Boston Globe* – (Massachusetts) **2 men arrested after substation explosion.** Police arrested two men they initially thought might be injured or dead after they allegedly broke into an electrical substation in Haverhill, Massachusetts, to steal copper wire, causing a power outage. The two men were arrested June 8 on charges including breaking and entering, and attempted larceny. A May 30 explosion during the alleged break-in knocked out power to 2,700. Police thought the perpetrators might have been killed after coming into contact with 23,000 volts of electricity. They even searched with cadaver-sniffing dogs.
Source: http://articles.boston.com/2012-06-09/news/32143450_1_electrical-substation-power-outage-explosion

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Chemical Industry Sector

4. *June 11, Chemical Regulation Reporter* – (National) **Official says EPA prepared in ‘near future’ to use TSCA authority to restrict chemicals.** The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is prepared to see “in the near future” whether it can use authority the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) provides to ban or restrict chemicals, the agency’s senior chemicals and pesticide official said June 7. “We will try and exercise some muscle we have not exercised for decades,” EPA’s acting assistant administrator for chemical safety and pollution prevention told State officials attending an Environmental Council of the States’ conference. Section 6 of the TSCA provides the EPA with the authority to ban or restrict chemicals. The agency has not sought to use its Section 6 authority since 1991, when an appellate court overturned the agency’s attempt to ban asbestos. “We will find out if it is as hard to use as is said,” the EPA administrator said.
Source: <http://www.bna.com/official-says-epa-n12884909957/>
5. *June 10, PhillyBurbs.com* – (Pennsylvania) **Fire at Dow plant damaged gaskets, protective liners around chemical tanks.** Dow’s preliminary investigation into a May chemical fire at its Bristol, Pennsylvania coatings plant calls it an “Act of God,” which was “neither reasonably foreseeable nor preventable,” according to an incident report filed with the State. The May 25 report filed with the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection said the fire in two chemical storage tanks damaged gaskets, lines, and protective ground liners outside the tanks, allowing flammable chemicals to leak into the surrounding ground and on-site surface water, PhillyBurbs.com reported June 10. The fire consumed a “significant” amount of the more than 1 million pounds of ethyl acrylate and butyl acrylate in the storage tanks, the report said. The flammable chemicals are used in acrylic paint production. Dow’s preliminary calculations indicate an estimated 2,266 pounds of chemical emissions were released into the air during the 24 hours following the fire, which ignited after a lightning strike. About 2 million pounds of a water/residual chemical mix left over in the tanks and dikes was pumped into 11 tanker trucks used to store and transport liquid waste and removed from the property in the days after the fire.

Source: http://www.phillyburbs.com/news/local/burlington_county_times_news/fire-at-dow-plant-damaged-gaskets-protective-liners-around-chemical/article_d5a97550-236e-5c2e-ac98-a4612e37262e.html

6. *June 8, U.S. Department of Labor* – (Arkansas) **OSHA cites Indiana-based Great Lakes Chemical in El Dorado, Ark., for exposing workers to bromine hazards.** The U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) cited West Lafayette, Indiana-based Great Lakes Chemical Corp. with 18 serious safety violations at the company's El Dorado, Arkansas facility for exposing workers to the unexpected release of bromine. The OSHA initiated an inspection in December 2011 under its Process Safety Management Covered Chemical Facilities National Emphasis Program, which is designed to reduce or eliminate workplace hazards associated with the catastrophic release of highly hazardous chemicals. Proposed penalties total \$122,000. Process safety management standard violations include the company's failing to: ensure its process hazard analysis addresses hazards involved with valves being closed or blocked; develop procedures to ensure that levels are correctly established for pressure vessels and piping; and ensure the compliance audit addresses procedures to assess the mechanical integrity of pressure vessels and piping.

Source:

http://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES&p_id=22506

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials and Waste Sector

7. *June 8, Los Angeles Times* – (National) **Nuclear panel must weigh risks of long-term storage, court rules.** A federal appeals court ruled June 8 the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) must consider the environmental and safety issues involved with long-term storage of radioactive wastes at nuclear power plants when it renews operating licenses. The ruling by the U.S. Court of Appeals in Washington, D.C., underscores the growing problem the nuclear energy industry faces as it continues to generate new waste and has no place to send it. The three-judge panel ruled the NRC evaluations have been deficient because the commission has failed to consider future risks when it has determined spent fuel can be stored for 60 years at plant sites. It also said the NRC has been wrong in not weighing the possibility that the radioactive fuel may have to stay where it is permanently, because the federal government may never have a nuclear dump for the spent fuel.

Source: <http://www.latimes.com/news/nation/nationnow/la-na-nn-nuclear-ruling-20120608,0,1477559.story>

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

8. *June 11, Reuters* – (National) **Chrysler expands Jeep Liberty SUV recall.** Chrysler expanded a recall regarding corrosion on Jeep Liberty vehicles to include the 2006 and 2007 model years after recalling the 2004 and 2005 model years in March, safety regulators and Chrysler said June 11. The two additional years add 137,176 U.S. vehicles to the recall. The recall affects vehicles in cold-weather areas that can sustain a rear suspension lower control arm fracture due to excessive conditions because of salt on roads in winter, according to a filing with the U.S. National Highway Transportation Safety Administration. Such a break could lead to loss of vehicle control and a crash. Source: <http://www.reuters.com/article/2012/06/11/us-chrysler-recall-idUSBRE85A1AD20120611>

9. *June 8, New London Day* – (Maine) **Shipyards adopt new practices in aftermath of sub Miami fire.** In the aftermath of the USS Miami submarine fire, all public shipyards in Kittery, Maine, were told to empty industrial style shop vacuum cleaners each shift or remove them from the ship, the New London Day reported June 8. Fire safety and fire fighting response inspections have been conducted on ships, with particular attention paid to temporary services and the stowage of combustible materials on board, officials at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard said. The U.S. Navy is reviewing the models of vacuum cleaners used on ships and will say what models are authorized by the end of June. Preliminary findings showed the fire that caused more than \$400 million in damages to the sub started in the vacuum cleaner used to clean the work site at the end of a shift, the shipyard said. The shipyard said the vacuum was not plugged in or defective. The fire apparently started with a heat source being vacuumed up and igniting the debris in the vacuum cleaner. Source: <http://www.theday.com/article/20120608/NWS09/120609623/1047/NWS>

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

10. *June 8, Contra Costa Times* – (California) **Burning chemical prompts fire, evacuation of Hayward company.** June 8, firefighters investigated what caused a bucket of the chemical hexane to catch fire at Seo, a Hayward, California company that makes rechargeable batteries. The fire prompted a building evacuation. About 25 employees were evacuated, the Hayward fire captain said. Investigators found a plastic bucket of hexane burning in a laboratory, described as an alcohol-type liquid fuel. The fire was contained in about 25 minutes. The laboratory received substantial water damage from the building's sprinkler system, as well as mild smoke and fire damage. Hazardous materials crews investigated the incident. The building was closed June 8 and employees were not allowed to return. Seo was founded in 2007, according to the company's Web site, to create "a new class of high-energy rechargeable lithium ion batteries." Source: http://www.mercurynews.com/breaking-news/ci_20816916/burning-chemical-prompts-fire-evacuation-hayward-company

11. *June 8, Federal Bureau of Investigation* – (Maryland) **Four employees at Aberdeen Proving Ground indicted for theft of government property.** A federal grand jury returned two indictments June 7 charging four civilians employed at Aberdeen Proving Ground (APG) in Maryland with theft of government property, specifically, over \$87,000 worth of copper wire and more than 27,000 pounds of aluminum to which the defendants had access as part of their jobs. Three defendants were employed as electricians at APG’s Directorate of Public Works. From March through November 2011, the defendants allegedly used their access to the buildings in the Edgewood area of APG and their expertise as electricians to steal copper fixtures and copper wire from government buildings. One defendant operated a patrol boat on the Chesapeake Bay to keep boats away from waters near APG, which were affected by weapons testing. He used his security clearance to access a secure area where he allegedly stole fabricated aluminum outriggers weighing more than 2,740 pounds and worth more than \$110,000. Source: <http://www.fbi.gov/baltimore/press-releases/2012/four-employees-at-aberdeen-proving-ground-indicted-for-theft-of-government-property>

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Banking and Finance Sector

12. *June 9, Associated Press* – (Arizona) **‘Home Team Bandit’ indicted for 7 bank robberies.** A federal grand jury indicted a man who allegedly robbed seven banks west of Phoenix since August 2011. Prosecutors said June 8 the man was charged with four counts of bank robbery, three counts of armed bank robbery, and one count of use of a firearm during a crime of violence. Authorities said the suspect allegedly used demand notes to commit four bank robberies in August and September 2011. They say he allegedly used guns to commit three more bank robberies in February and April. Authorities dubbed him the “Home Team Bandit” because he usually wore a sports team hat or clothing during the robberies. Source: <http://www.myfoxphoenix.com/story/18747140/man-indicted-for-7-bank-robberies-west-of-phoenix>
13. *June 9, Knoxville News Sentinel* – (Tennessee; International) **Former radio newsman confesses role in counterfeit money order conspiracy.** A man pleaded guilty June 8 in Tennessee to the charge of conspiracy to counterfeit money orders. He was accused of being a middleman for scammers in Ghana who crafted more than \$3 million in fake U.S. Postal Service (USPS) money orders and convinced Americans to cash them in return for a cut of the proceeds. He was charged in April after an investigation by a USPS inspector that began in October 2011 when U.S. Customs and Border Protection agents intercepted a package addressed to the man. It contained 703 counterfeit money orders totaling more than \$695,000. Two more packages addressed to Addison Insurance were intercepted in March, containing more than 2,500 fake money orders totaling more than \$2.5 million. Postal inspectors set up a sting in April and arrested the suspect. A plea agreement said the suspect was out of work and had posted a job-wanted advertisement. In September 2011, a man offered to pay the suspect \$250 per

week if he would parcel out fake money orders to payees whose names and addresses he was provided via e-mail. It was not clear from the plea agreement whether the man knew the money orders were fakes.

Source: <http://www.knoxnews.com/news/2012/jun/09/former-radio-newsman-confesses-role-in-money/>

14. *June 8, Courthouse News Service* – (New York) **Three attorneys looking at hard time.** Three attorneys and a former attorney agreed June 8 to pay \$30 million and pleaded guilty to conspiring to commit wire fraud and bank fraud in a \$66 million mortgage fraud scheme involving more than 100 homes in the greater New York City area, the U.S. attorney's office said. The attorneys were among 14 defendants in the indictment. The defendants agreed to forfeit \$6.6 million, \$10.7 million, \$5.9 million, and \$7.6 million, respectively. Five other defendants, including the leader of the fraud, have pleaded guilty and are awaiting sentencing.
Source: <http://www.courthousenews.com/2012/06/08/47276.htm>
15. *June 8, KPHO 5 Phoenix* – (Arizona) **PD: Homeless group steals thousands in AZ bank scheme.** A homeless man was arrested for his role in a scheme to take tens of thousands of dollars from Tempe, Arizona-area Wells Fargo banks, KPHO 5 Phoenix reported June 8. He was arrested June 5. Police said between August and November 2011, a bank employee at Wells Fargo gave an accomplice private bank information. The accomplice recruited the homeless man and had him recruit other homeless people who frequented the downtown Tempe area to open accounts with local banks. Once the money was fraudulently deposited into their accounts, the homeless people would withdraw the cash and give it to the accomplice, minus a small amount they were allowed to keep for themselves. The accomplice would then divide the money with the bank employee. A total of \$125,405 was taken from banks. Police identified unauthorized money transfers in the homeless man's account and surveillance photos also linked him to the crime.
Source: <http://www.kpho.com/story/18743293/pd-homeless-group-steals-thousands-in-az-bank-scheme>
16. *June 8, Salt Lake Tribune* – (National) **Former Utahn at center of alleged DOD contracting scheme.** A long-time U.S. Army reservist allegedly conspired with others to defraud the government of at least \$15 million through rigged contracts, the Salt Lake Tribune reported June 8. Those contracts eventually totaled nearly \$53 million for work during the transfer of security operations in Afghanistan, according to documents filed as part of a civil forfeiture complaint initiated by the government in federal court. In the forfeiture action, filed in 2011 under seal, the government laid claim to money and assets the man and others held in 13 different bank accounts; retirement and college saving funds; 20 different properties, including homes in Utah, Arizona, Florida, and New Hampshire; vehicles and airplanes; silver bars and gold coins; and a half dozen firearms. A federal judge issued a default judgment against the man in May, court documents showed. The judgment entitles the government to everything but a disputed St. George property. June 21, the judge will consider an emergency petition filed by American International Security Corp., the company the man worked for in Afghanistan, which is trying to reclaim \$5.3 million in its frozen bank account.

Source: <http://www.sltrib.com/sltrib/sports/54253971-78/harris-aisc-government-contract.html.csp>

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Transportation Sector

17. *June 11, Associated Press* – (Colorado) **Colorado replaces 49 obsolete bridges.** Colorado replaced 49 bridges as part of a program to fix structures rated poor by inspectors, less than a third of the estimated 160 bridges that are considered risky. According to the Denver Post, the State Department of Transportation said some bridges were built in the 1920s and are buckling under the demands of modern car and truck traffic. Others were cracking and damaging vehicles with broken concrete.
Source: <http://www.thedenverchannel.com/news/31179511/detail.html>
18. *June 11, Associated Press* – (New Jersey) **Water main break on Route 3 in northern New Jersey closes lanes, backs up traffic for miles.** A water main break in northern New Jersey backed up traffic for miles on Route 3 June 11. The Associated Press reported crews were working to repair the pipe, which broke just east of Route 17 in East Rutherford and closed Route 3 eastbound. The State Transportation Department said lane closures were expected for much of the day.
Source:
<http://www.therepublic.com/view/story/58a9dadf37d243539e8fff6d64f889ba/NJ--Water-Main-Break>
19. *June 10, WBNS 10 Columbus* – (Ohio) **Port Columbus control tower evacuated because of ‘suspicious’ odor.** According to airport officials, the Port Columbus International Airport control tower, in Columbus, Ohio, was evacuated June 10 due to a suspicious odor. An interim control tower at Indianapolis International Airport in Indianapolis took over control tower operations. Fire investigators reported to the tower and found no danger. The evacuation was lifted a short time later.
Source: <http://www.10tv.com/content/stories/2012/06/10/columbus-port-columbus-tower-evacuated-strange-odor.html>
20. *June 10, Craig Daily Press* – (Colorado) **Hazardous material spilled as result of crash near Dinosaur.** A June 8 crash on Colorado Highway 64, in Rio Blanco County, resulted in the spill of hazardous material, the Colorado State Patrol reported June 10. A tractor driver was traveling west on the highway when he failed to negotiate a curve and his truck and trailer rolled over on the driver’s side. The tractor-trailer came to a rest off the south side of the roadway in a shallow ditch, the State patrol reported. It was hauling a dry box trailer with sodium hydroxide, and during the crash an unknown amount spilled into a shallow area. The driver had minor injuries and was treated at a hospital. Clean-up crews worked overnight to remove the tractor, trailer, and load from the scene. Highway 64 reopened June 9, about 18 hours after the crash.
Source: <http://www.craigdailynews.com/news/2012/jun/10/hazardous-material-spilled-result-crash-near-dinos/>

21. *June 9, Appleton Post-Crescent* – (Wisconsin) **Chemical spill from tanker truck partially closes U.S. 41 near Appleton.** All lanes of U.S. 41 northbound near Grand Chute, Wisconsin, were reopened June 11 after several local agencies, including the regional hazardous materials team, responded to a leak coming from a semi-trailer that stopped on the highway north of West Prospect Avenue/County BB. A semi driver notified the driver of a UPS Freight tandem trailer that the second trailer was leaking something onto the highway as it drove from Oshkosh, Wisconsin, to the Appleton area. About 100 gallons of methyl pyrrolidinone, a liquid with agricultural uses and also as an industrial lubricant that is combustible and an irritant, spilled on the highway after an apparent load shift caused another shipment to fall onto a 250-gallon plastic container surrounded by a metal cage, causing damage that led to the leak. No evacuation was needed because the truck stopped on the highway away from any buildings. Area hospitals were notified and people potentially exposed to the chemical were told to seek medical attention if they experienced any skin irritation or other health issues.
Source: <http://www.greenbaypressgazette.com/article/20120609/GPG0101/306090161/Chemical-spill-from-tanker-truck-partially-closes-U-S-41-near-Appleton?odyssey=nav/head>
22. *June 9, Oklahoma City Oklahoman* – (Oklahoma) **I-35 reopens after fuel spill.** A major metro highway reopened after a fuel spill June 8 in Oklahoma closed it for more than 9 hours. The southbound to westbound lanes of I-35 were closed after a fuel truck overturned. Work crews cleaned up the fuel and reopened the lanes. The wreck occurred on a section of I-35 that runs consecutive with I-40 in southeast Oklahoma City.
Source: <http://newsok.com/i-35-reopens-after-fuel-spill/article/3683084>

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Postal and Shipping Sector

23. *June 8, Riverside Press-Enterprise* – (California) **Would-be mail thief prompts bomb scare.** A would-be mail thief prompted a bomb scare June 8 outside the Perris Union High School District offices in Perris, California, authorities said. Someone reported a small, suspicious package on a blue U.S. Postal Service mailbox outside the offices, according to a Riverside County Sheriff's Department news release. It was wrapped in electrical and duct tape and had two cords attached to it that were running into the mailbox slot. Deputies called in the sheriff's hazardous device team. The area was cordoned off and workers in offices near the mailbox were evacuated to another part of the property. The package turned out to be harmless. The other ends of the cords were attached to a VHS tape covered in a sticky substance apparently intended to fish letters out of the mailbox. The would-be thief evidently had abandoned the effort, leaving his fishing device.
Source: <http://www.pe.com/local-news/riverside-county/perris/perris-headlines-index/20120608-perris-would-be-mail-thief-prompts-bomb-scare.ece>

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Agriculture and Food Sector

24. *June 11, Homeland Security News Wire* – (International) **Global food-trade network vulnerable to fast spread of contaminants.** Two University of Notre Dame network physicists, in collaboration with food science experts, recently published an analysis of the international food-trade network that shows the network’s vulnerability to the fast spread of contaminants as well as the correlation between known food poisoning outbreaks and the centrality of countries on the network, Homeland Security News Wire reported June 11. As the world’s population climbs past 7 billion, the sustainable production and distribution of food is balanced against the need to ensure its chemical and microbiological safety. By 2030, food demand is expected to increase by 50 percent. Global food transport has been increasing at an exponential rate since the 1960s — faster than food production itself. As the system grows, so does pressure on regulation and surveillance organizations to track contaminants and prevent deadly outbreaks. A news release noted the paper does not predict an increase in food poisoning cases, but it does predict significant delays with serious potential consequences in the identification of the outbreaks’ sources. It calls for an interdisciplinary and incentivized approach to the understanding of the international agro-food trade network that will build on its identification of the network’s critical spots.
Source: <http://www.homelandsecuritynewswire.com/dr20120611-global-foodtrade-network-vulnerable-to-fast-spread-of-contaminants>
25. *June 9, WLUK 11 Green Bay* – (Wisconsin) **Animals lost in Shawano Co. barn fire.** Firefighters were unable to rescue a handful of animals during a barn fire in Shawano County, Wisconsin, June 9. A passerby saw flames coming from a Green Valley barn and called 9-1-1. Officials said the barn was totally engulfed in flames when fire crews arrived. Crews were unable to save five calves, three goats, and some chickens. Officials said the building, which was used as a milking parlor, was a total loss.
Source: http://www.fox11online.com/dpp/news/local/north_counties/animals-lost-in-shawano-co-barn-fire
26. *June 9, Agence France-Presse* – (International) **Legionnaires’ outbreak shuts down distillery.** A Scottish whiskey distillery at the center of an investigation into an outbreak of Legionnaires’ disease that has infected up to 74 people has temporarily halted production, it said June 8. The North British Distillery in Edinburgh, which is under investigation over 28 confirmed and 46 suspected cases of the disease, said it closed its cooling towers as a “precautionary” measure and halted distillation. A man has died since the outbreak was discovered June 7, and 14 patients are in intensive care. Britain’s Health and Safety Executive (HSE) believes the distillery may have failed to control the risk of legionella — the bacterium that causes Legionnaires’ disease — in one of its cooling towers.

Source:

<http://www.ottawacitizen.com/health/Legionnaires+outbreak+shuts+down+distillery/6755241/story.html>

27. *June 8, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **Best Maid Cookie Company issues allergy alert on undeclared walnut in product.** Best Maid Cookie Company of River Falls, Wisconsin, recalled Sienna Bakery brand Oatmeal Walnut Raisin and Sienna Bakery brand White Chocolate Macadamia Nut cookies due to the potential of an undeclared walnut allergen, the Food and Drug Administration reported June 8. The master cases of product may contain retail boxes labeled as “White Chocolate Macadamia Nut” but have Oatmeal Walnut Raisin cookies inside. Affected product was sold through GFS Marketplace stores from May 11 through June 7 in Florida, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and Tennessee. Affected product was distributed to Gordon Food Service delivery customers from May 11 through June 7 in Florida, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, and West Virginia.

Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm307550.htm>

28. *June 8, Food Safety News* – (National) **CDC: Multistate E. coli O145 outbreak has sickened 14 in 6 States.** June 8, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announced the E. coli O145 outbreak that killed a young girl in Louisiana has sickened at least 14 people in 6 States: Georgia (5 illnesses), Louisiana (4), Alabama (2), California (1), Florida (1), and Tennessee (1). Three people were hospitalized. The source of the contamination remains unknown. “The investigation is looking at both food and non-food exposures as part of the ongoing investigation,” according to a CDC statement. Illness onset dates range from April 15 to May 12. Infections that began after May 12 may not have been reported yet. The most recent case was reported June 4.

Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2012/06/cdc-multistate-e-coli-o145-outbreak-has-sickened-14-in-6-states/>

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Water Sector

29. *June 11, Somerset Messenger-Gazette* – (New Jersey) **‘Boil water’ emergency declared in the Bedminster, Peapack-Gladstone, Tewksbury area.** A boil water advisory was issued by New Jersey American Water for customers in Bedminster and Chester Townships, the towns of Far Hills, Peapack-Gladstone, Pottersville, and Tewksbury after a broken water line June 10 shut down the company’s booster station. The station maintains water pressure for about 1,400 customers and feeds water towers in Bedminster and Gladstone. The repair could take 3 or 4 days, according to the company’s advisory. The Peapack-Gladstone Office of Emergency Management said a broken pipe within the facility caused the pump station to flood and shut down. The company temporarily installed a 3,000 gallon-per-minute, high-capacity pump to

bypass the station and help fill the towers. It is expected to provide about 50 percent of the required capacity. A 1,300-gallon “water buffalo” trailer was brought to Peapack Municipal Building where those without water could fill water jugs or receive bottled water.

Source: http://www.nj.com/messenger-gazette/index.ssf/2012/06/boil_water_emergency_declared_in_the_bedminster_peapack-gladstone_tewksbury_area.html

30. *June 9, Galveston County Daily News* – (Texas) **City to break ground on \$75M wastewater plant.** Galveston, Texas officials are scheduled to break ground on the single largest Hurricane Ike disaster recovery project in the State June 13. Construction to replace the island’s main wastewater treatment plant, heavily damaged by Ike in 2008, with a new \$75.4 million state-of-the-art facility will begin soon thereafter. Galveston’s main wastewater treatment plant serves about 70 percent of the island, including the University of Texas Medical Branch, the central business district, the port and wharves, the majority of public schools, the hospitality industry, and many island neighborhoods. After Ike’s landfall in September 2008, the plant suffered a complete failure and was out of service for 6 days. Completion of the facility is slated for November 2015.

Source: <http://galvestondailynews.com/story/320698>

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Public Health and Healthcare Sector

31. *June 11, WFTS 29 Tampa* – (Florida) **Chemical covered person walks into ER, hospital evacuated.** Mease Dunedin Hospital in Dunedin, Florida, was evacuated June 10 after a homeless man covered in unknown chemicals walked inside, according to the Pinellas County Sheriff’s Office. The man reportedly came straight into the emergency room with the unknown chemical, affecting several employees. The hospital was closed. Patients were evacuated and sent to other hospitals. Milwaukee Avenue from Virginia to Main Street was shut down. The ER reopened late June 10.

Source:

http://www.abcactionnews.com/dpp/news/region_north_pinellas/dunedin/chemical-covered-person-walks-into-er-hospital-evacuated

32. *June 11, Softpedia* – (National) **APhA: No credit card data obtained by hackers.** The official Web site of the American Pharmacist Association (APhA) was restored after Anonymous-affiliated hackers breached the site forcing the organization to take it offline, Softpedia reported June 11. According to a statement posted on the re-launched site, there is no indication that the attackers accessed sensitive information such as credit card data. The organization said the hackers leaked e-mail addresses, names, and physical addresses, details that could be used by cybercriminals to initiate phishing campaigns with the purpose of gathering sensitive data. At the time of the incident, the hackers leaked around 64 megabytes of information from the site’s databases, but they

also claimed to have obtained 16,000 patient records. While APhA and law enforcement continue to investigate the incident, security measures were enhanced to prevent the Web site from falling victim to future attacks.

Source: <http://news.softpedia.com/news/APhA-No-Credit-Card-Data-Obtained-by-Hackers-274820.shtml>

33. *June 11, WPRI 12 Providence* – (Rhode Island) **Fire crews respond to hazmat situation.** Fire crews were called June 9 to a fire at a medical waste disposal company in Woonsocket, Rhode Island. Fire officials said they were called to a HAZMAT incident at Stericycle, which handles medical waste disposal, sharps disposal management, hazardous waste disposal, medical device returns, and other disposals. Police said a fire was started because of a clogged filter in a machine. The smoke from the fire released bacteria into the air and everyone had to be evacuated from the building. HAZMAT crews had to manually ventilate the building, and the fire was burned out on its own. It took more than 5 hours to clear the scene because of the nature of the company's business.
Source: http://www.wpri.com/dpp/news/local_news/blackstone/woonsocket-hazmat-incident-at-medical-waste-facility
34. *June 11, Boston Globe* – (Massachusetts) **Freezer failure at brain bank hampers autism research.** A freezer malfunction at Harvard-affiliated McLean Hospital severely damaged one-third of the world's largest collection of autism brain samples, potentially setting back research on the disorder by years, the Boston Globe reported June 11. An official at the renowned brain bank in Belmont, Massachusetts, discovered the freezer shut down May 31, without triggering two alarms. Inside, they found 150 thawed brains that turned dark from decay; about a third of them were part of a collection of autism brains. The damage to these brains could slow autism research by a decade as the collection is restored, said a neuropathologist at Johns Hopkins University. The McLean freezer, 1 of 24 in the Harvard Brain Tissue Resource Center, was protected by 2 separate alarm systems. Though the alarms were not triggered and the external thermostat read minus-79 degrees, the actual temperature was 7 degrees. Based on the condition of the brains, the center's director estimates the freezer turned off 3 days earlier. She said the situation is so unusual that she cannot rule out foul play. McLean will upgrade security in the freezer room, which is locked and monitored by a surveillance camera.
Source:
http://www.boston.com/news/local/massachusetts/articles/2012/06/11/freezer_failure_at_brain_bank_hampers_autism_research/?page=1
35. *June 9, New Hampshire Union Leader* – (New Hampshire) **Official says shared syringe eyed as possibility in hepatitis probe.** New Hampshire investigators were looking into the possibility the hepatitis C outbreak at an Exeter Hospital lab was caused by an employee abusing hospital narcotics, the State's public health director said June 9. Four more patients who were treated at Exeter Hospital's cardiac catheterization lab were diagnosed with hepatitis C, the State Division of Public Health Services announced June 9. That brings the number of individuals diagnosed with the same strain of the virus linked to the facility to 14, including 1 hospital employee. In

previous outbreaks at other facilities, a doctor explained, the cause of infection eventually was traced to an employee who used a syringe to take narcotics and then used the same syringe on a patient, passing on the virus. “That’s one of the possibilities.” He said State investigators also are looking at the hospital’s “policies and procedures and the use of supplies and disposables.”

Source:

<http://www.unionleader.com/article/20120610/NEWS07/706109949/0/FRONTPAGE>

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Government Facilities Sector

36. *June 9, Associated Press* – (National) **Pentagon crackdown on free guns riles some police.** The Defense Department recently warned State law enforcement officials to track down every gun, helicopter, and Humvee the military gave them under a \$2.6 billion surplus program, or have their access to the handouts cut off, the Associated Press reported June 9. A spokesman for the Defense Logistics Agency said all weapons will be withheld until the accounting is completed. According to the States, at least some of them already turned over that data. Associated Press inquiries into how the program is administered in all 50 States and several U.S. territories show most of them only keep paper records, and the few States that keep electronic records only recently made the switch from paper. “That’s the problem with the entire program is it’s paper-based when it should be automated,” said a Michigan National Guard master sergeant, who is the State’s coordinator.

Source:

<http://www.google.com/hostednews/ap/article/ALeqM5jusRVBGdpFk0MvmPh6U03lEHfTCg?docId=a5495e8a08e3448b9878cdb80067f5c6>

37. *June 8, KUAR 89.1 FM Little Rock* – (Arkansas) **After illnesses, UCA building to remain closed for classes.** Classes will be relocated the week of June 11 away from Burdick Hall at the University of Central Arkansas in Conway after an evacuation and illnesses in the building June 7. Several students became sick soon after the air conditioning system turned on. Eleven people, including five campus police officers and one paramedic, were treated for nausea and dizziness. The vice president of university and government relations said low oxygen levels were found after an inspection of the building. “We had an air quality expert come to our campus, and we restarted all the air systems. All the systems are back to normal, operating normally,” he said. The cause of the low oxygen levels was not determined, but he said the school is installing carbon monoxide detectors and running tests.

Source: <http://www.kuar.org/kuarnews/62654-evacuated-uca-building-to-re-open-monday.html>

38. *June 8, U-T San Diego* – (California) **County website attacked on election night.** San Diego County and Hewlett-Packard are investigating what appeared to be a deliberate attempt to shut down the county’s public Web site on election night June 5 when a high number of people were trying to access information from the county registrar of voters. Officials said June 7 that the disruption to the county’s main Web site did not affect

ballot counting but limited public access to voting results during a high-traffic period. “We can’t be completely sure they were not trying to get into the system, but we have no reason to believe the attack was election-related,” said a county spokesman. The denial-of-service attack lasted about 2 hours. The county’s firewall recognized the attack as suspicious activity and closed off outside access to the county’s Web sites, including where the election results were posted, for security purposes. The county said the surge came from a single, unknown offshore IP address that sent more than 1 million hits per minute.

Source: <http://www.utsandiego.com/news/2012/jun/08/tp-county-website-attacked-on-election-night/>

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Emergency Services Sector

39. *June 11, Oklahoma City Oklahoman* – (Oklahoma) **Two inmates escape from Oklahoma minimum-security lockup.** Two men escaped June 10 from William S. Key Correctional Center in Fort Supply, Oklahoma, authorities said. A Woodward County sheriff’s employee said the two were present during a check but could not be found after that, and were reported missing about an hour and a half after the check. She said the two might have used a vehicle to flee.
Source: <http://newsok.com/authorities-seek-pair-of-missing-inmates/article/3683273>
40. *June 10, NorthEscambia.com* – (Florida) **Escambia jail floods, left with no power.** The basement of the Escambia County jail in Florida flooded during record-setting rains June 9, leaving the facility holding about 700 inmates without power or air conditioning. As the area outside the jail flooded, the basement of the county lockup filled with water to the ceiling, with some water making it to portions of the first floor. The jail’s electrical panel, laundry, and kitchen are in the flooded basement. Inmates were fed June 10 from the jail annex across the street. Extra deputies and corrections officers were brought in to help with security, and the Escambia County Sheriff’s Office mobile command post was used outside.
Source: <http://www.northescambia.com/2012/06/escambia-jail-floods-left-with-no-power>
41. *June 8, Kingman Daily Miner* – (Arizona) **Freak accident sends three firefighters to Kingman hospital.** Three firefighters of Northern Arizona Consolidated Fire Department (NACFD) were violently knocked down by a fire hose they were testing June 7. The fire chief said a crew of six men — three on the rig and three on the ground — were reloading one hose onto a water tender while at the same time filling the next hose to be tested. The second hose ruptured without warning and thrashed across the ground, knocking the three firefighters on the ground off their feet. All three were conscious and alert before being taken to a hospital where two received stitches.
Source:

<http://www.kingmandailyminer.com/main.asp?SectionID=1&SubsectionID=1&ArticleID=51084>

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Information Technology Sector

42. *June 11, H Security* – (International) **Simple authentication bypass for MySQL root revealed.** Exploits for a recently revealed MySQL authentication bypass flaw are now in the wild, partly because the flaw is simple to exploit to gain root access to the database, experts said. The only mitigating factor appears to be that it depends on the C library with which the MySQL database was built. The bypass, assigned the vulnerability ID CVE-2012-2122, allows an attacker to gain root access by repeatedly trying to login with an incorrect password. Each attempt has a 1 in 256 chance of being given access.
Source: <http://www.h-online.com/security/news/item/Simple-authentication-bypass-for-MySQL-root-revealed-1614990.html>
43. *June 10, MSNBC* – (International) **LinkedIn: So far, no user accounts breached.** June 9, LinkedIn said none of the 6.5 million user passwords that were stolen and published on a Web site were used to access member accounts. So far, LinkedIn’s director wrote, “we have no reports of member accounts being breached as a result of the stolen passwords. Based on our investigation, all member passwords that we believe to be at risk have been disabled.”
Source: <http://www.technolog.msnbc.msn.com/technology/technolog/linkedin-so-far-no-user-accounts-breached-821629>
44. *June 8, Computerworld* – (International) **Adobe patches critical Flash bugs, ships sandboxed plug-in for Firefox.** June 8, Adobe patched seven critical vulnerabilities in Flash Player — the fifth security update so far in 2012 — and released a sandboxed plug-in for Mozilla’s Firefox. The company also released the “silent update” tool for OS X, and said it prepped Flash for the upcoming OS X 10.8, Mountain Lion, by signing its code, a requirement if users are to install software downloaded from sources other than Apple’s own Mac App Store. “These updates address vulnerabilities that could cause a crash and potentially allow an attacker to take control of the affected system,” said Adobe in an advisory published June 8. The flaws included memory corruption, integer and stack overflow, and security bypass bugs. One of the seven was tagged as a “binary planting” vulnerability in the Flash installer.
Source:
http://www.computerworld.com/s/article/9227927/Adobe_patches_critical_Flash_bugs_ships_sandboxed_plug_in_for_Firefox
45. *June 8, CNET* – (International) **eHarmony says no other info stolen following password hack.** After confirming that member passwords were comprised, eHarmony said June 8 it was continuing to investigate the incident, but it appears no other

information was taken. “While our investigation is ongoing, we have not found any indication that other information was accessed, nor have we received any reports of unauthorized log-ins to member accounts,” an eHarmony spokeswoman said. “We have also been working with law enforcement authorities in our investigation and have been in touch with one of the other companies affected as well.”

Source: http://news.cnet.com/8301-1009_3-57449878-83/eharmony-says-no-other-info-stolen-following-password-hack/

46. *June 8, Inquirer* – (International) **The md5crypt() author says the algorithm is no longer secure.** The author of md5crypt(), which is used to encrypt passwords on some FreeBSD and Linux-based operating systems, said it is no longer secure despite being recommended as a password hashing function. He implemented a researcher’s MD5 one-way hashing algorithm in his md5crypt() function that has been in use on FreeBSD and Linux-based operating systems for many years. Now, the author was forced to say md5crypt() is no longer secure after he claimed people were still recommending it for production use.

Source: <http://www.theinquirer.net/inquirer/news/2183126/md5crypt-author-algorithm-secure>

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Internet Alert Dashboard

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Information on IT information sharing and analysis can be found at the IT ISAC (Information Sharing and Analysis Center) Web site: <https://www.it-isac.org>

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Communications Sector

47. *June 11, KUNC 91.5 FM Greeley* – (Colorado) **Temporary low power service restored to 91.5fm.** An alternative temporary low power signal on KUNC 91.5 FM Greeley, Colorado, was established June 11. KUNC could be heard in parts of Weld and Larimer County after going off-air June 9 due to a power loss. KUNC also reestablished service on 102.7 FM in Boulder. The main transmitter site for KUNC at Buckhorn Mountain, Colorado, was under threat from the High Park Fire. It houses the county communications gear and is the hub for radio traffic for crews fighting the fire. June 9, KUNC was off the air on its main frequency, 91.5 FM. Larimer County equipment was operating on backup battery power.

Source: <http://kunc.org/post/temporary-low-power-service-restored-915fm>

48. *June 8, KABB 29 San Antonio* – (Texas) **Copper thieves busted in Atascosa County.** Deputies in Atascosa County, Texas, caught three people trying to steal copper from a cell phone tower. The Atascosa County Sheriff’s Office said the suspects were caught June 8 near Interstate 37 and Highway 281. According to investigators, the

trio had roughly 1,500 feet of stolen copper wiring in their possession. Officials believed the trio was involved in several other copper thefts in the area. One of the suspects also had an active warrant for copper theft in Guadalupe County.

Source: http://www.foxsanantonio.com/newsroom/top_stories/videos/vid_10610.shtml

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Commercial Facilities Sector

49. *June 11, CNN* – (Florida; Alabama) **Torrential rains flood Florida Panhandle.** Parts of the Florida panhandle and coastal Alabama were underwater June 11 after torrential rains caused extensive flooding and damage to roads and buildings, local officials said. The precipitation contributed to a host of problems, with flooding especially substantial in the southern part of Escambia County, Florida, along the coast of the Gulf of Mexico. Some 113 people were in shelters in Escambia County due to the storm, and residents of a low-lying, 200-unit apartment complex were ordered to evacuate. Additionally, several roads and bridges, as well as many homes and businesses, suffered damage. One of the structures affected was the Escambia County Jail in Pensacola. The facility's central booking facility was under about 6 feet of water at midday June 9. The main part of the jail lost power in the storm, but temporary power was brought in, and efforts continued to restore the air conditioning. A spokesman said security at the jail was never compromised. Flash flooding also made parts of some roadways impassable, with some reporting waters rising more than 6 feet in spots.
Source: <http://www.wcyb.com/weather/31177118/detail.html>

50. *June 10, New York Times* – (Alabama) **Three killed in shooting near Auburn University.** Three young men were killed and three others were wounded during a pool party June 9 at an apartment complex in Auburn, Alabama. Several law enforcement agencies were searching in Montgomery for the man they suspected of firing the fatal shots, which were aimed at a few men at the party. The suspect apparently had no connection to the nearby university, officials said. He was charged with three counts of capital murder.
Source: <http://www.nytimes.com/2012/06/11/us/report-of-a-multiple-shooting-near-auburn-university.html>

51. *June 10, KMGH 7 Denver* – (Colorado) **Car plows into Aurora restaurant; 10 injured.** A car crashed into an Aurora, Colorado restaurant June 10, injuring 10 people. Investigators said alcohol or drugs may have been a factor. Police and fire crews were called to the Tacos & Salsas restaurant on a report that a car had crashed into the building. Arriving officers found a car had plowed through the front of the restaurant, striking several patrons dining inside. Ten customers were injured, including eight who were transported to area hospitals with non-life threatening injuries.
Source: <http://www.thedenverchannel.com/news/31178209/detail.html>

52. *June 9, KFSN 30 Fresno* – (California) **One person dead in Three Rivers restaurant fire.** A boy died after his family’s restaurant was destroyed in a fire June 8 in Three Rivers, California. Investigators were still trying to figure out what started the fire. The restaurant was open at the time. Witnesses said they heard an explosion and then saw flames. The restaurant building’s old construction meant there was little that could be done to save it, fire officials said.
Source: <http://abclocal.go.com/kfsn/story?section=news/local&id=8694895>
53. *June 9, Associated Press* – (Washington, D.C.) **FBI, police investigate SUV crash into DC building.** Police in Washington, D.C. and the FBI were investigating what they believed was the intentional crash of an SUV into a Washington, D.C. office building June 9. WRC 4 Washington, D.C., reported the vehicle’s interior and the driver had been deliberately doused with gasoline. The Washington Post reported the vehicle was carrying at least one container of gasoline. A FBI spokeswoman confirmed June 11 that members of its Joint Terrorism Task Force responded. The building in the city’s business district has a mix of offices, retail shops, and restaurants. One floor above where the vehicle crashed, a restaurant was crowded with evening diners.
Source: <http://www.foxnews.com/us/2012/06/09/fbi-police-investigate-suv-crash-into-dc-building/>
54. *June 8, Staten Island Advance* – (New York) **6 hurt as SUV rams Macy’s vestibule on Staten Island.** Six people were injured when a sports-utility vehicle (SUV) plowed through the main entrance of a Macy’s at the Staten Island Mall in the New Springville neighborhood of the borough of Staten Island, New York, June 8. None of the injuries were serious, according to rescue personnel on the scene. Witnesses said the SUV flipped over twice and hit two other vehicles before crashing into the columns at the department store’s entrance.
Source:
http://www.silive.com/westshore/index.ssf/2012/06/6_hurt_as_car_rams_macys_vesti.html

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National Monuments and Icons Sector

55. *June 11, Associated Press; CBS News* – (National) **Rapidly spreading wildfires choke Colo., N.M.** Authorities in Colorado and New Mexico battled wildfires spreading rapidly through mountainous forest land that forced hundreds of evacuations and destroyed dozens of structures, the Associated Press and CBS News reported June 11. A wildfire burning in a mountainous area 15 miles west of Fort Collins, Colorado, nearly doubled to 58 square miles, forcing hundreds of evacuations, and destroying at least 18 structures. June 11, the Larimer County Sheriff’s Office said 400 people were fighting the fire. The U.S. Forest Service said a federal team was slated to take over management of the fire. Strong winds grounded an aircraft fighting a 40-square-mile wildfire near Ruidoso, New Mexico. Crews were working to build a fire line around the

fire, which started June 8 and damaged or destroyed 36 structures. A spokesman for the New Mexico State Forestry Division said the number of Ruidoso evacuees was in the hundreds. Both fires were dwarfed by the Whitewater-Baldy fire in southwest New Mexico — the largest in the State’s history — that charred 450 square miles of wilderness forest since mid-May. Firefighters June 10 battled a wildfire that blackened 6 square miles in Wyoming’s Guernsey State Park and forced the evacuation of between 500 and 1,000 campers and visitors. Authorities told people in Hartville to be ready to evacuate. In Colorado, the High Park Fire burned more than 20,000 acres, and up to 2,600 people were evacuated. Cooler weather helped firefighters in their battle against two wildfires in Utah. Firefighters said the Box Creek wildfire, which grew to 2,000 acres June 11, was 75 percent contained and would likely be fully controlled by June 12.

Source: http://www.cbsnews.com/8301-201_162-57450164/rapidly-spreading-wildfires-choke-colo-n.m/

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Dams Sector

56. *June 11, Calgary Herald* – (International) **Flood watch for Bow River, Canmore downgraded, but region remains on alert.** Flood watches around the Bow River in the Canmore, Alberta, Canada area was downgraded to a high stream-flow advisory June 10, due to falling water levels, the Calgary Herald reported. The downgrade means stream levels are still high and minor flooding could affect low-lying areas but no major flooding was expected. The high water levels “present challenges” to the cleanup efforts near Sundre, where crews were still sopping up an oil spill from a pipeline breach. Water levels continued to rise and a flood warning remained in effect around some parts of the Red Deer River basin. The Glenmore Reservoir continued to maintain a low water level in case of additional rainfalls. Fire department crews spent June 10 responding to minor flood calls. Showers were expected June 10, and again June 13, according to Environment Canada. Nearby, Plains Midstream Canada estimated nearly 475,000 liters of oil spilled into the Red Deer River.

Source:

<http://www.calgaryherald.com/news/Flood+watch+River+Canmore+downgraded+region+remains+alert/6759830/story.html>

57. *June 11, Associated Press* – (Maine) **Dam on Maine’s Penobscot River begins coming down as part of restoration project.** The 200-year-old, Great Works Dam on Maine’s Penobscot River is being removed as part of a project aimed at reopening nearly 1,000 miles of river habitat to Atlantic salmon, shad, river herring, and other migratory fish species, the Associated Press reported June 11. Workers began removing the dam that spans the river from Old Town to Bradley recently, marking the beginning of the dismantling stage of the Penobscot River Restoration Project. The \$62 million project also calls for removing a dam in Veazie and building a fishway around the Howland Dam. The project is expected to be completed in 2014.

Source:

<http://www.therepublic.com/view/story/e47062916d204bdd842691094acd6756/ME--Dam-Removal>

58. *June 11, International Water Power and Dam Construction* – (International) **Flooding causes small breach in Welsh dam.** Repair work was successful on a natural dam in Gwynedd, Wales, after intense flooding in the area caused a breach in the structure, International Water Power and Dam Construction reported June 11. Nearly 600 villagers in the area of Pennal were evacuated June 10. According to news reports, a drainage channel at the dam was blocked by a landslide, leading to a build up of water in the reservoir. Emergency services and the landowner created a new permanent channel to drain water and release pressure. There has been major flooding in parts of Mid and West Wales recently, with rivers over-topping banks. Many flood alerts remained as more than a month's worth of rain fell in just 1 day in some areas.

Source:

<http://www.waterpowermagazine.com/story.asp?sectioncode=130&storyCode=2062506>

59. *June 9, Birmingham Press-Register* – (Alabama) **Heavy rain traps Mobile family, knocks shrimp boats into Bayou La Batre drawbridge.** Heavy rain in southwest Alabama June 9 trapped a family for several hours near a washed-out private dam and knocked a pair of shrimp boats into the J.A. Wintzell Memorial Bridge in Bayou La Batre. The rain also forced the closure of numerous roads in south Mobile County. Officials said the lake behind the dam dropped about 4 to 5 feet as a result of the breach. The bridge remained operational June 9, although both vessels sustained an undetermined amount of damage. Police also helped 2 families evacuate their homes because of rising water. The National Weather Service said rain totals in Baldwin County ranged from a little more than 3 inches to a little more than 6 inches. The National Weather Service in Mobile was predicting even more rain after June 9.

Source:

http://blog.al.com/live/2012/06/heavy_rain_traps_west_mobile_f.html#incart_river_news

60. *June 8, Associated Press* – (North Dakota) **\$700K contract awarded for repair of Velva levees.** The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers awarded a contract for the repair of levees in Velva, North Dakota, that were damaged during historic Souris River flooding during summer 2011. A Maple Grove, Minnesota, company landed the \$700,000 project. Construction is to begin in July and wrap up this fall.

Source: [http://www.cbsnews.com/8301-505245_162-57449701/\\$700k-contract-awarded-for-repair-of-velva-levees/](http://www.cbsnews.com/8301-505245_162-57449701/$700k-contract-awarded-for-repair-of-velva-levees/)

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